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Columbia Sesquicentennial Commission
[Columbia, SC]

1936-1937

Columbia Sesqui-Centennial Celebration

1786-1936

WEEK BEGINNING MARCH 22ND

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Columbia, S. C.,

TO COIN COLLECTORS:

Through your request for information regarding the half-dollars commemorative of Columbia's One Hundred and Fiftieth Birthday, we have learned of your interest in coin collecting. We are, therefore, calling your attention to the "wooden nickels" which were used as souvenirs during the Sesqui-Centennial Celebration of Columbia's Founding as the Capital of South Carolina. We have a limited supply of these "wooden nickels", which are in three denominations--one nickel, two nickels, and five nickels. They are available at face value, plus postage. An illustration of each denomination is being furnished on the inside of this letter.

If you desire a set of these, or one or more of any denomination, we shall be glad to fill your order upon receipt of it, together with remittance for the number you wish.

Yours very truly,

COLUMBIA SESQUI-CENTENNIAL COMMISSION

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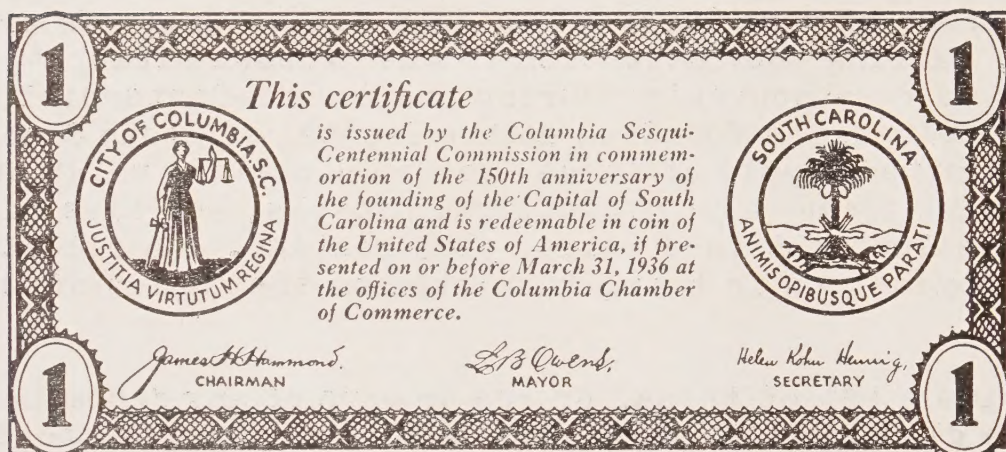
James H. Hammond

Jas. H. Hammond, Chairman.

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10.75
21.35
2.15
34.40



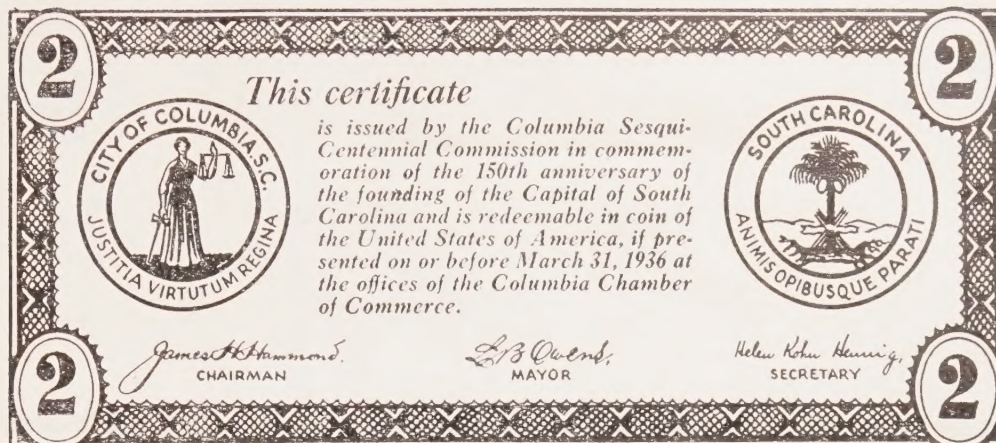
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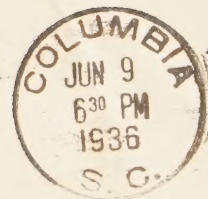
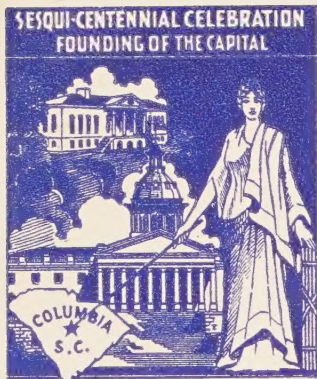
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Mr. Clarence B. Rush,
Broadway between 155th and 156 th Sts.,
New York, N.Y.

*Columbia S.C.
1/2 Vol/s.*

June 30, 1936

Columbia Sesqui-Centennial
Celebration Committee,
Columbia, S. Car.

Gentlemen:

We desire to be placed on your books for
a purchase of ~~Sesqui~~-Centennial half dollars when
you get around to sending out notice.

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW ks

COLUMBIA SESQUI-CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

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Week beginning March 22nd.

Columbia, S. C.

Dear Sir:-

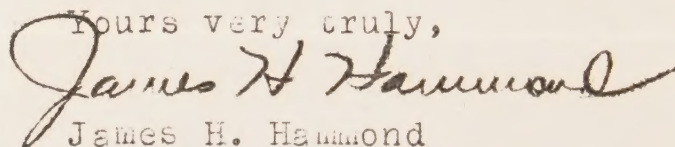
Receipt is acknowledged of your communication relative to the half-dollar to be issued commemorative of Columbia's Sesqui-Centennial.

We wish to advise that plans for the issuance of the coin have not yet been completed, but we expect them to be in the near future.

As soon as the details are definitely arranged, we shall forward you a notice together with order blank.

Please be assured that your interest is appreciated, and we solicit your patience pending your receipt of coin or coins.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "James H. Hammond". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" being the most prominent.

James H. Hammond
Chairman

JHH:lm

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Columbia, S. C.

Dear Sir:

We appreciate your interest in the Columbia Sesqui-Centennial commemorative coins and regret that the tremendous number of orders has necessitated some delay in their delivery.

When these coins were issued by the United States Mint, it was upon the pledge of the Sesqui-Centennial Commission that they would receive the widest distribution possible and become authentic parts of coin collections throughout the country.

With this pledge in mind the Commission has exerted every effort to be fair to every purchaser, though this has occasioned considerable work for the Commission and has resulted in some delay. Our earnest desire is to keep these coins out of the hands of speculators.

We appreciate your patience and know that you will agree with us that it was better to make it possible for bona fide collectors to secure these coins without having to pay a prohibitive price for them.

At the time applications were accepted, the Commission reserved the right to limit the number of coins, as would subsequently become expedient, and it is necessary that this right be exercised.

Yours very truly,

COLUMBIA SESQUI-CENTENNIAL COMMISSION

BY:

James H. Hammond

James H. Hammond
Chairman

JHH/h

October 5, 1936

Columbia Sesqui-Centennial Commission,
% Columbia Chamber of Commerce,
Columbia, S. C.

Gentlemen:

We are herewith sending application for five sets of the Columbia Sesqui-Centennial Commemorative half dollars and one single piece. These are for various members of our Society and for our own cabinet.

I am enclosing a money order for \$34.40 to pay for these.

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW ks
ENCL.

*Brush 2 sets
Robertson 1 coin
Cummings 2 sets
and 5, 1 set*

93004

RECEIPT

DOLLARS	80
34	CENTS

FOR REMITTER
TO DETACH AND HOLD
MUST BE PRESENTED AT
OFFICE OF ISSUE WHEN IN-
QUIRY IS MADE REGARDING
ORDER

ISSUING OFFICE

STAMP HERE



**HOLD THIS RECEIPT UNTIL SURE THE ORDER HAS
BEEN PAID**

SENT TO _____

ADDRESS _____

FOR _____

Mr. Wood

January 9, 1937

Columbia Sesqui-Centennial Commission,
% Columbia Chamber of Commerce,
Columbia, S. C.

Gentlemen:

On October 5th we sent you a money order of \$34.40 for five sets of the Columbia Commission half dollars and a single piece. Up to date we have heard nothing from you. We have seen a number of these sets already. We understand you have been distributing these for the past month.

We were most anxious to get these coins as we are holding our Annual Meeting today, not only to show them but to deliver to four of our members who wished sets.

We trust that you received our application and that you will be able to supply us with these. None of these are for speculation and besides the two sets for our own cabinet, the other sets and the single piece were to be supplied our members who requested us to order for them at actual cost.

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW ks

DETACH BEFORE DEPOSITING, NOTIFY IF NOT CORRECT, DEPOSIT CHECK WITHOUT DELAY

We are enclosing herewith.....Ten.....coins on your
order for.....Sixteen.....coins with a refund check of
\$.....12.90.....for the difference returned because of over-
subscription.

COLUMBIA SESQUI-CENTENNIAL COMMISSION

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Columbia, S. C.

March 8, 1937

Mr. Howland Wood, Curator
The American Numismatic Society
Broadway between 155th & 156th Sts.
New York City.

Dear Mr. Wood:

We have delayed a reply to your letter of Jan. 9 in the hope that after all adjustments had been made in connection with the final distribution of the coins, we might be able to fill the remainder of your order.

It is indeed a pleasure to advise that we shall be able to let you have the two additional sets of coins, upon return of the enclosed application blank, properly signed, and accompanied by our refund check, money order or certified check in the amount of \$12.90.

Your very prompt attention to this matter will be appreciated.

Yours truly,

COLUMBIA SESQUI CENTENNIAL COMMISSION,

By: *James H. Hammond*
James H. Hammond,
Chairman.

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sent for 2 sets